Dear Fellow,

We are excited to inform you that with the sealing of the Royal Charter, we will be transitioning to the Chartered Institute of Brewers and Distillers (CIBD) on 1st January 2025 subject to the approval being given at the forthcoming Annual General Meetings and subject to third party consents. If the transfer date changes, we will let you know.

This will help drinks industry professionals set themselves apart, like other Chartered professions in engineering and accountancy, and will help us build public trust and confidence in the industry.

Becoming Chartered means that our membership categories are going to change. Here are some of the key details about your membership and the key difference that will come into effect on 1st January 2025:

- Your IBD membership will automatically transition to the equivalent CIBD membership of Fellow membership. You do not need to take any action.
- You will be entitled to all the benefits of the CIBD membership.
- You will now be able to use the new FIBD post-nominals.
- As part of your membership, you must undertake Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and abide by the CIBD Code of Conduct.
- We are confident that all IBD members will be currently undertaking CPD activities.
- From the date of the transfer, all membership services will be provided by the CIBD in place of the IBD and any remaining membership fees will transfer to the CIBD, and memberships will renew in the CIBD on each member's usual date.
- You will continue to be members of both IBD and CIBD until IBD is dissolved and any membership fees paid to CIBD will be treated as being paid towards membership of both IBD and CIBD.

The proposal for the IBD to be incorporated by Royal Charter was hugely endorsed by our members at the Extraordinary General meeting held in June 2022 and the goal of the Chartership is to help members to thrive in their careers, however, if you no longer want to be a member then please email us at ibdmembers@ibd.org.uk.

We look forward to sharing more of our plans for the future of the Chartered Institute of Brewers and Distillers (CIBD) with you soon, including more information about our upcoming AGMs.